

THE CITY OF REDMOND FIRE DEPARTMENT - PREVENTION DIVISION



Redmond Fire Department Standards Administrative Ruling / Interpretation

Code Section: 9.4.12 Code Edition: 2000

Title: Third Party verification certificate criteria for existing systems.

Date: March 28, 2000

Statement of Need:

Since existing systems have been installed at various times and under various standards, the question arises as to what the certificate should be issued to cover when issued to an existing system.

Ruling/Interpretation:

Certification of existing systems is not necessarily to current standards. Certification of third party verification is intended to provide the Redmond Fire Department with basis information on the installation and maintenance of an alarm system including the extent to which the system complies with specific standards referenced on the Certificate. The reference shall be to the NFPA 72 (1996) (or its predecessors) and Redmond Fire Department standards in effect at the time of installation and at subsequent modifications or expansions. Documentation of Redmond Fire Department plan review and inspection approval shall suffice as documentation of compliance except where violations, or nonconformities identified by Redmond Fire Department have been noted.

New changes in the use, built environment, equipment, codes, or standards will occasionally create <u>performance deficiencies</u> in the system. Such deficiencies shall be identified during regular system maintenance inspections (confidence test inspections) and remedied within 30 days. See Redmond Fire Department Standards 9.7.3.

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